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Serial No.: 09/262,126)	Examiner: M. N. Rao, Ph.D.
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For: MODIFIED FORMS OF PULLULANASE)	

AMENDMENT

Mail-Stop Amendment
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of January 27, 2003. A Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time is being filed concurrently herewith. As July 27, 2003 falls on a Sunday, therefore, this response is being filed on or before the current due date of July 28, 2003. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

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